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CHANGE OF HOURS! STEAMERS. GEORGE PAGE and THOS. COLLYER. From Washington—Steamer GEORGE PAGE—At 6, 9, 11, a. m., 12, 3, 5, and 6, p. m.

NOTICE.—The Steamer COLLYER, Capt. James Hunter, having been thoroughly repaired and improved, will resume her trips between Baltimore and this place, leaving Baltimore, on Saturday, 19th instant, at 3 o'clock, and returning, leave this place, on the following Wednesday, at 7, a. m.

"HAND'S LINE"—TO AND FROM PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK AND BOSTON. The new steamer "JAS. JEROME," Captain Jerome, and "C. C. ALGER," Captain Fenton, having formed a semi-weekly line, will hereafter run as follows:

LUMBER, LATHS, LIME, &c. LUMBER, COAL AND WOOD YARD.—Corner of Union and Queen Streets, North.—Where I am prepared to furnish every description of LUMBER, SHINGLES, LATHS, LIME, &c.

WASHINGTON & ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD. CHANGE OF HOURS—WINTER SCHEDULE. ON AND AFTER THE 24th DAY OF OCTOBER, THE TRAINS ON THIS ROAD, WITH THEIR OMBUSSES, will connect with the Trains on the Orange Road, except the first, which arrives at 3 A. M., and the Washington Branch of the Baltimore Road, except the Train departing at 6:20 A. M.

ORANGE & ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD. ON AND AFTER MONDAY, JULY 4, 1859, A. M., for Gordonsville, connecting with the Trains on the Virginia Central Railroad, for Richmond and the West, and with the Trains on the Manassas Gap Railroad, for Mt. Jackson, Woodstock, Shenandoah, and Front Royal, and intermediate points. The Train leaves Alexandria, at 7 o'clock, A. M., and arrives at Mt. Jackson, at 7:30, A. M., and at Woodstock, at 10:30, A. M.

MANASSAS GAP RAILROAD. PASSENGERS for this Road will leave the Alexandria Station, in the Orange Train, at 7 o'clock, A. M., daily (Sundays excepted), arrive at this Road at Middleburg, Winchester, &c.

NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY. FROM BALTIMORE TO CHICAGO in 26 hours, with only two changes of cars. TRAINS leave Baltimore, at 9 o'clock, a. m., and 9 o'clock, p. m., and 11 o'clock, a. m., and 11 o'clock, p. m., and 11 o'clock, a. m., and 11 o'clock, p. m.

ADAMS' EXPRESS COMPANY. INVITE the attention of the public to the facilities afforded by this Company, for the quick and safe conveyance of Specie, Bank Notes, valuable packages, heavy and bulky freight, &c.

INVITE CITIZENS AND STRANGERS to call at my MANUFACTORY, No. 141 KING STREET, BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND ST. ASAPH STREETS, and examine my large and handsome assortment of SADDLERY GOODS, &c.

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ARMY & SHINN'S BOTTLED MINERAL WATERS AND CIDER. MASSEY, COLLINS & CO'S PHILADELPHIA DRAUGHT ALE.

W. W. HERBERT, COMMISSION MERCHANT, No. 35 Union St., ALEXANDRIA, VA. WILL give his attention to the sale of FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, RICE, &c.

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COLOAS OPEN THIS DAY.—We call attention to our fourth invoice of Ladies' CLOAKS, the newest and most desirable styles of the season. Also pure Silk Cloaking Velvet, heavy Beaver and Cloaking Cloths, with many other goods to suit the present and approaching season.

RECEIVED AN ADDITIONAL SUPPLY OF CLOAKS which we invite attention. CLOTH CLOAKS.—Just received another supply of these desirable CLOTH CLOAKS, per Adams Express.

NEW STORE AND TIN STORE. No. 14 Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va. CARD.—ENOCH GRIMES respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he has associated with him his son, JAMES E. GRIMES & SON, who have resumed at the old stand on Fairfax Street, the STOVE and TIN WARE BUSINESS.

LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTMENT OF STOVES ever offered in this market, consisting of the following: COOKING RANGES, Heating Ranges, and Stoves; Pennsylvania, Leader, Charter Oak, Nevada, Comet, Western Diamond, Wisconsin, Royal Complete, and Nine Plates.

AGENCY FOR HIRING OUT NEGROES. The undersigned offers his services to the public as a Hirer of Negroes. An experience of several years, together with a general acquaintance with the habits and feelings of the colored business men of the city, will who may be inclined to employ him, that he can expect to secure them the best prices for the most responsible men, and prompt payment at all times.

NEGREOS WANTED.—I wish to purchase any number of NEGROES to work at this place, for each. All letters addressed to me, at this place, will receive prompt attention. Having bought the establishment, lately occupied by Millan & Grigley, West and Duke street, and having retained it to make it one of the most healthy and comfortable depots for the sale of NEGROES, I will receive them on the usual terms. PRICE, BIRCH & CO. aug 30-tf

SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.—On SATURDAY, the 10th day of December, 1859, at 12 o'clock, M., the undersigned, in execution of the trusts of a deed to him as Trustee, dated on the 8th day of May, 1858, and recorded in Book T, No. 3, page 84, of the Alexandria County Land Records, will expose for sale at Public Auction, in front of the Mayor's Office, in the city of Alexandria, Va., the property situated in said city, on the north side of Cameron street, between Royal and Pitt streets, and described as follows:

NO. 1.—A TENEMENT and LOT of GROUND, beginning at the intersection of the eastward and westward of Pitt street, thence eastward to Pitt street, 60 feet to the eastward of Pitt street, and running thence eastward and binding on Pitt street 25 feet; thence northward, and parallel to Pitt and Royal streets, 85 feet, to a 10 foot alley, running through the square, and the westward, and binding on said alley the distance of the first line, to the division line between Barker and McCormick; thence southwardly with Barker to the beginning. On this lot is a fine three-story BRICK DWELLING, nearly new, and supplied with all modern conveniences, Gas, Water, &c.

NO. 2.—A VACANT LOT, adjoining Lot No. 1 on the east, beginning 85 feet to the eastward of Pitt street, and running thence eastward and binding on Cameron street 18 feet, more or less, to a point 8 feet west of the western wall of the Theatre Building; thence northwardly, and parallel to Royal street, 88 feet, to the 10 foot alley, and binding on said alley, the distance of the first line, to the east line of No. 1; thence southwardly, to the east line of Lot No. 1, to the beginning.

NO. 3.—A TENEMENT and LOT of GROUND, beginning at a point 66 feet to the westward of Royal street, and running thence northwardly, and parallel to Royal street, 34 feet 2 inches, to the line of English; thence westwardly, and parallel to the Theatre alley; thence northwardly, and parallel with Royal street, 37 feet 10 inches, more or less, to a 10 foot alley running through the square; thence westwardly, and binding on said alley, the distance of the first line, to the west wall of the Theatre Building; thence eastwardly, and binding on Cameron street, to the beginning. An examination of our street is sold, and the building, and the newly building lately erected on the eastern portion of the lot. On this lot stands the large, well-built, and substantial structure, known as the "OLD ALEXANDRIA THEATRE." This building, as well as the other buildings situated on this lot, are on the first floor, a public Hall in the second story, about 50 feet square, commonly known as "AMERICAN HALL," and, in the third story, a large Hall, well known as "LIBERTY HALL," covering the whole of the building, and nearly twice as large as any other public Hall in Alexandria. On the same lot is also a new three-story BRICK BUILDING, with a STORE on the first floor, and eleven rooms above, suitable for Offices, or as Rooms for Sick and Invalids.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-fifth of the purchase money is to be paid in cash on the day of sale; the balance in three equal installments, at 6, 12, and 18 months from the day of sale, with good personal security, to be given for the deferred payments, and the title to the property to be retained till the purchase money shall have been fully paid.

SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.—Pursuant to a decree of the County Court of Alexandria County, Va., of the 6th day of June, 1859, in the suit of Kincheloe & Brin, plaintiffs, against the County of Alexandria, and James E. Grimes & Son, as Commissioners for the purpose, will offer for sale, at public auction, in front of the Mayor's Office in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, on Saturday, the 22d day of October, 1859, at 12 o'clock, M., the following parcels of land, to-wit: One parcel of LAND, in the County of Prince William, Va., on the Orange & Alexandria Railroad, near its intersection with Bull Run, containing about 227 Acres and 22 Poles—being the same tract of land which was sold by William M. A. Card, to Geo. D. Fowle, and by the latter conveyed to said County, the exact metes and bounds of which can be ascertained by consulting either of said conveyances. About 70 acres of this land is in cultivation, and the remainder is in wood of fine growth, which by its proximity to the Railroad, can be readily converted into money.—There is on the place a large and commodious Barn and Stable, newly new, and built in the best manner.

TERMS.—Ten per centum of the purchase money is to be paid in cash, the balance in three equal installments, at six, twelve, and eighteen months from the day of sale, the deferred payments to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser, with good personal security, bearing interest from date, and the title to be retained till the purchase money is fully paid.

VALUABLE FARM AT PRIVATE SALE. The "GLASS FARM" within one mile of Alexandria, on the Alexandria and Potomac River, and containing ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO ACRES. The proximity of this farm to Alexandria, as well as its superior soil, would make it a most desirable and profitable DAILY and GARLICK FARM. It is hardly possible for any one wishing to engage in the above named business, to obtain in the immediate neighborhood of Alexandria, so desirable a farm. The said farm will be sold in whole or divided into lots to suit purchasers, and call upon J. H. MONROE, No. 36 Queen Street, or the undersigned, ELIZABETH HARRISON, jy 6-tf

MISCELLANEOUS READING. NEWS-PAPER PUBLICITY. There is a fatal fondness prevalent in the community for newspaper notoriety. Privacy has long ceased to be regarded as necessary, except in a very few cases, and a repulsive tendency in the opposite direction has usurped its place. The most sacred transactions of life, intimately concerning only the immediate actors, are now fully reported, thus frequently serving as the text for coarse comment or unseasonable jest. What matters it to the great world that Miss Laura Matilda Smille has thought proper to take the more euphonious name of Mrs. Ladylove? If Mr. Gildpiper abandons his single state bestowing his patronym upon some unfortunate of the other sex, whose business is it? Why should the mass of readers be incited by long accounts of the ceremonial preceded to the occurrence? The quiet, domestic virtues shrivel and blush from such public inspection. The desire for elaborate description, growing out of the constantly increasing habit of connecting private family affairs with the wider public life, has led many organs of opinion in cities to adopt measures in regard to the publication of intelligence which otherwise would have met with the severest rebuke. Some of the metropolitan journals have adopted an offensive practice of describing funeral ceremonies, detailing the sombre appearance of the chief mourners, the number of carriages in the cortege, the dress of the dead body, and the style of the burial case. We cannot conceive of any community being so vitiated in taste or morals as to crave such a palatable as is furnished by these narrations. The newspaper should be the chronicler of all events of general interest, and assist in inculcating good morals; but never become the record of petty occurrences, of prime importance only to the individuals directly concerned. It may be difficult oftentimes to draw the line between private and public matters, but it certainly becomes the duty of those connected with the press to exercise jealousy care in all matters of questionable public interest.—Boston Transcript.

ORIGIN OF FRANKING LETTERS. To the Editors of the National Intelligencer. In the twenty-third volume of the Parliamentary History of England is the following very curious anecdote concerning this privilege. It occurred in the debate on the Post Office bill in the year 1660:—"Col. Titus reported the bill for the settlement of the post office, with the amendments. Sir Walter Raleigh delivered a proviso for the letters of all the members of Parliament to go free, during their sittings. "Sir Heneage Finch said it was poor, mendicant proviso, and below the honor of the House. "Mr. Pryne spoke also against the proviso. Mr. Brinkley, Mr. Boscawen, Sir George Downing, and Sergeant Charlton for it; the latter saying: 'The Council's letters went free.' "The question being called for, the Speaker, Sir Harbottle Grimston, was unwilling to put it, saying he was ashamed of it; never-theless the proviso was carried and made a part of the bill, which was ordered to be engrossed. "The Lords subsequently disagreed to this proviso, and it was ultimately thrown out. "At a subsequent period, however, both Houses did not feel it below their honor to secure to themselves this exemption from postage."

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As also from some of the most eminent Professors and Amateurs in the country. WILLIAM KNABE & CO. Nos. 1, 3, 5 & 7, NORTH EUTHAW STREET, BALTIMORE, would respectfully invite the attention of the public to their well assorted stock of GRAND AND SQUARE PIANO FORTES, which, for beauty of finish, power and sweetness of tone and elasticity of touch, have been, by judges, pronounced unrivalled. Every Piano guaranteed for five years, and a privilege of exchange granted at any time within six months, if not entirely satisfactory. Terms liberal. A call is respectfully solicited before purchasing elsewhere. PIANOS taken in exchange, hired and repaired. WILLIAM KNABE & CO. Baltimore, sep 26-tf

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